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MEMORANDUM FOR: Executive Advisory Group Members

SUBJECT : Minutes of Meeting, 19 July 1978--President's
Visit (A/IUO)

1. (A/IUO) Following up on the DCI's memo of 5 July (same subject), Mr. Carlucci asked members for their views on structuring an agenda for an expected visit by the President sometime in August. (The White House will confirm date/time by 1 August.)
2. (C) Discussion centered on developing a three-part (30 minutes each) event and scenarios that would be most profitable to both the President and the Agency. Members' views touched on numerous aspects--how the purpose of the event should be viewed, the political implications, the potential gain for Agency morale, an opportunity for the President to see first-hand how Agency people work, and logistical and security implications.
3. (C) It quickly became evident that one of the more difficult problems will be in how to cope with the press corps that is likely to accompany the President. The degree of access permitted to the press will determine the limit of participation by DDO personnel and vice versa. It was agreed that DDO personnel would benefit most from direct participation in this event. This problem needs to be worked out carefully to ensure a balanced and secure arrangement--if possible, one that will neither deny participation by the largest number of Agency personnel nor the benefits of press coverage.
4. (C) After examining several alternatives for each segment of the three-part agenda, it was agreed that the following general plan would be proposed:

--DCI and DDCI to greet the President.

--President to meet with Agency senior staff in DCI Conference Room (brief presentation of current interest items--substantive intelligence or operational situation or both).

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--Visit to one or two areas (to be selected); designed to show the President how CIA works. This might be best illustrated by a presentation of how information becomes an intelligence item in the PDB (if appropriate, an item appearing in the PDB that very day). NFAC and DDO participants should make this presentation.

--President to address Agency personnel in the auditorium and probably include a short period for questions and answers. This segment to be carried on TV monitors in the main building for general viewing by all personnel.


Each segment will be limited to 30 minutes or less.

5. (A/IUO) Mr. Carlucci tasked the following to work out details:

Mr. Hetu	Develop scenario (with options) for arrival of the President and talking points for the President's use in the auditorium.
Mr. Taylor	Draw up a couple of scenarios for President's meeting with Agency senior staff.
Mr. Malanick	Work out the logistics including selection of participants to greet the President, make-up of audience in the auditorium, security, and arrangements for press corps.

6. (A/IUO) Mr. Carlucci asked Mr. Taylor to pull together these items for his review. They should be received by Mr. Taylor no later than 27 July. A paper will then be prepared for DCI approval and White House review, approval, and coordination.

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Secretary
Executive Advisory Group

cc: Mr. H. Hetu

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